



PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1756**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yasuo MATSUMURA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1756

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Application No.: 10/658,811

Examiner: C. RODEE

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For: TONER FOR DEVELOPING ELECTROSTATIC IMAGES CONTAINING  
SPECIFIED BINDER RESIN, PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME,  
DEVELOPER FOR DEVELOPING ELECTROSTATIC IMAGES, AND IMAGE  
FORMING METHOD

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 1, 2005 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application, claims 18-20 having been withdrawn from consideration.

**I. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102**

**A. Tsubuko**

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 2, 4-7, 14 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003-0099894 to Tsubuko et al. considered with W.A. Lee & R.A. Rutherford, The Glass Transition Temperatures of Polymers, in Polymer Handbook,